

Greening practices increase the cover of vegetation which lowers atmospheric carbon dioxide levels and improves human health. By 2030, California aims to make green spaces more accessible and increase the urban tree canopy by 20%. What you plant, how you maintain your landscape, and how you support community greening can help California achieve these goals.

Help Keep California Green

- Save water by planting native and drought-resistant trees using mulch (Save Our Water & Cal Recycle).
- Save your trees by sustainably watering them (Cal Fire).
- Cultivate pollinator-friendly plants in your garden and community (California Department of Fish and Wildlife).
- Plant natives in the late fall, winter, or early spring, in areas with appropriate sun, soil, and drainage conditions (California Native Plant Society).
- Help green urban spaces such as vacant lots, street medians or barren lots to reduce the urban heat island effect (EPA).



Did you know

Between 2012 to 2019 and Over 100 million trees died due to many years of drought that weakened the trees and left millions of acres of forestland highly susceptible to insect attacks. (CAL FIRE).

61% of urban areas in California have a low tree canopy cover between 2%-10% (Forest Climate Action Team).



**GET INVOLVED
IN YOUR
COMMUNITY**



Learn more about green initiatives at [Cal Fire](#) or [Save Our Water](#), and find your community's tree equity score (American Forests).



Volunteer to plant and sustainably care for vegetation in your community (CCAC Volunteer Hub).



Help California attain its greening goals by sharing these tips with 5 of your friends, family members, or neighbors.